

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 8-12 have been canceled.

The Office Action rejects claims 8-12. Since these claims have been canceled, this rejection is moot.

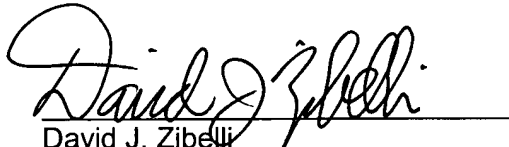
For the above reasons, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Prompt consideration and allowance are solicited.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4232 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

The Office is authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, § 1.17 or §1.136, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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